

RCRA RECORDS CENTER
FACILITY Pratt & Whitney - Main St
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U. S. Environmental Protection Agency
JFK Federal Building
Boston, MA 02203
ATTN: Mr. Michael Deland

Connecticut Department of Environmental Protection
165 Capitol Avenue
Hartford, CT 06106
ATTN: Ms. Leslie Carothers

Dear Mr. Deland and Ms. Carothers:

This letter is intended to fulfill our obligation under 40 CFR 265.56(j) and 22a-449(C)(26)(f)(10) of the Code of Federal Regulations and the Regulations of the State of Connecticut, respectively, to report on any incident requiring the activation of our Contingency Plan.

Owner:

United Technologies Corporation
One Financial Center
Hartford, CT 06101
(203) 728-7000

Facility:

Pratt & Whitney
400 Main Street
East Hartford, CT 06108
(203) 565-3833

Location: H Building - Col. 0-10

Date of spill/incident: 8/9/89


Time: 1400 Hrs

Material involved: Acid Mixture - Gaseous Quantity: Gaseous

Description or cause of spill/incident: A mixture of acid was being prepared by D-1017 personnel and the scrubber could not accomodate the concentration of the chemicals. The result was a release of the fumes through the roof vent on H-building, the wind carried the fumes south across H-Building. The air conditioning units south of the area pulled in the fumes and forced the evacuation of the offices in H-Building.

Extent of contamination and injuries: The offices in H-Building were evacuated and there were no injuries.

Corrective action taken: The process for the mixing of acids was reviewed and it was determined that more time would be taken between the mixing of the different chemicals, this would result in a less violent reaction.

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read 'RE Atwood', is written over a horizontal line.

Richard E. Atwood
Supervisor, Environmental Compliance

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